

URGES GERMANY TO SIGN TREATY

Erzberger, Head of Foe Armistice Commission, Will Make Suggestion to Berlin.

14 POINTS STAND--WILSON

President Declares, "I Am Convinced Our Peace Project Violates None of My Principles"—Copy of Treaty to U. S. Lawmakers.

Copenhagen, June 9.—Mathias Erzberger, head of the German armistice commission, according to the Deutsches Tagesblatt of Berlin, is preparing a memorandum which, after discussing the peace terms in all their aspects, advocates signing the treaty.

Paris, June 9.—It is understood here that the Berlin government is sending photographically reproduced copies of the peace terms to every United States senator and representative.

"I am convinced that our treaty project violates none of my principles," President Wilson is quoted by the Matin as having said when he was made acquainted with the German counter-proposals to the peace treaty. "If I held a contrary opinion I would not hesitate to confess it and would endeavor to correct the error. The treaty as drawn up, however, entirely conforms with my 14 points."

When the council of four met Premier Orlando of Italy was absent. This led to the belief that the Adriatic question was again under consideration. It is understood that no further progress has been made by the various elements working on the solution of this problem.

It is probable that the allied and associated powers will comply with the German demand to state approximately the maximum sum which Germany must pay in reparation under the peace treaty, according to the Matin. This sum, it states, will be from 200,000,000,000 to 250,000,000,000 francs. (The larger sum named, on a gold valuation would be not far from \$50,000,000,000.)

An answer from Admiral Kolchak, head of the all-Russian government at Omsk, to the allied proposals has been received by the French foreign office. It is understood, in the main, to be a satisfactory acceptance of the proposals. Kolchak's reply, however, makes reservations concerning a constituent assembly and also in respect to dealings with new states formed from old Russia.

The South Slav delegation here handed to President Wilson a memorandum regarding the Fiume affair, according to the Petit Parisien.

When the Germans are handed the allied reply they will be informed, according to French circles, that the discussion has been finally closed and will be given no less than three or more than five days in which to accept or reject the conditions.

WIRE STRIKE IS SPREADING

Union Headquarters at Atlanta Says 3,000 Telegraph Operators Are Out—Men Warned by Carlton.

Atlanta, Ga., June 9.—Union headquarters announced on Friday that information received indicated that 3,000 employees of the Western Union in the South either had gone on strike or would do so during the day.

New York, June 9.—Employees of the Western Union Telegraph company, who joined the Telegraphers' union on the assurance of the postmaster general that there would be no discrimination in regard to employees joining unions, will not be taken back if they strike, Newcomb Carlton, president of the company, announced Friday. Mr. Carlton said that out of 40,000 employees only 710 belonged to the union and that the call for a strike in the southern division was meeting with practically no response.

SENATE FOR IRISH HEARING

Votes Request by 60 to 1 to Peace Conference in Paris to Receive Delegates.

Washington, June 9.—Senator Borah's resolution asking the American peace delegates at Paris to secure a hearing before the peace conference for the Irish delegates headed by Edward De Valera, provisional president of the Irish republic, was adopted on Friday by the senate, 60 to 1. Senator Williams, Democrat, of Mississippi, cast the negative vote. The resolution expressed the sympathy of the senate in the aspirations of the Irish people for "a government of its own choice."

More Troops Landed.

New York, June 9.—The troopship Santa Cecilia, bringing 2,004 soldiers, steamed into the harbor at noon. The Duca d'Aosta, from Marseilles, arrived a few minutes after with 1,797 troops aboard.

Asks Help From Allies.

Paris, June 9.—M. Poska, foreign minister of Estonia, arrived in Paris to ask the great powers to aid the small Estonian army which is fighting the bolshevik southwest of Petrograd.

MILES POINDEXTER



This is a portrait of United States Senator Miles Poindexter of Washington.

5,000 STRIKERS RIOT

ATTACK WORKERS LEAVING AUTO PLANT AT TOLEDO.

Eighty Discharged Soldiers Hired as Guards Charge Mob With Rifles.

Toledo, O., June 9.—Serious rioting occurred on Tuesday night at the Willys-Overland Automobile company when 5,000 idle employees attacked workers as they were leaving the plant.

First reports to the police were that eleven persons were injured, two of whom may die.

Shots were fired by guards stationed at the works.

Eighty soldiers under command of Col. L. W. Howard, county treasurer-elect, charged the mob.

Sixteen troopers, armed only with clubs were followed by three truckloads of infantrymen, with rifles pointed at the crowd.

Two troopers were beaten into unconsciousness, and a score of former Overland workers were injured.

Three shots were fired into the air by the soldiers. The charge followed the stoning of three street cars, where many workers were cut by rocks and flying glass.

The soldiers are acting as special police, having been discharged from the army.

It was the most serious trouble since the Overland opened last week after having closed May 8. About 4,000 of the 13,000 workers are back on the job. The others are holding out for a 44-hour week.

FINES FOR HIGHER RATES

Director General of Railroads Says Government Must Have More Money to Meet Expenses.

Washington, June 9.—Only by increased rates can the government controlled railroads meet operating expenses, Director General Hines told the house appropriations committee on Tuesday. He is opposed to any increase at this time, however, because it might advance the cost of necessities of life. Mr. Hines, who appeared to ask for \$1,200,000,000 additional for the railroad administration's revolving fund for the remainder of this calendar year, said that while wages of railroad employees had been increased 51 to 52 per cent during government control, they now were only "reasonable and fair," and added that he could see no prospect of reducing them.

In explaining railroad requirements Mr. Hines said the government's loss in 1918 and the first three months of this year was approximately \$480,000,000. The replacement of this amount was requested as a part of the new appropriation, together with increased working capital of \$425,000,000. Proposed loans to railroads he expected to be increased to \$775,000,000.

APPROVE WIRE RETURN BILL

Senate Committee Makes Favorable Report on Measure Introduced by Senator Kellogg.

Washington, June 9.—Favorable report on the bill of Senator Kellogg, Republican, of Minnesota, for the immediate return of the telephone and telegraph wires to private ownership, was ordered by the senate interstate commerce committee on Tuesday after the measure had been amended so as to continue existing telephone rates for 60 days after final action by congress. The vote of the committee was unanimous.

Yank Freed by Reds Home.

New York, June 9.—Merle B. Arnold, a Y. M. C. A. secretary of Polk, Neb., arrived here from Siberia, where he was held a prisoner by the bolshevik. He was captured outside the American lines.

Pay High Honor to Flyers.

London, June 9.—Royalty paid honors to America's airmen when the prince of Wales attended a luncheon given in honor of Lieutenant Commander Read, skipper of the seaplane NC-4, and his fellow flyers.

WIRE SYSTEMS GIVEN TO OWNERS

Postmaster General Issues Order Which Is Effective Immediately.

PRESENT RATES WILL STAND

President of Commercial Telegraphers' Union Orders Walkout of All Western Union Operators in Southeast.

Washington, June 7.—Postmaster General Burleson issued an order on Thursday returning the telephone and telegraph systems of the country to the owners for operating purposes. Control of the companies is not relinquished by the government.

In a statement accompanying the formal order the postmaster general stated that the existing rates would remain in effect, and that orders forbidding discharge of employees because of union affiliations also would stand.

Immediately upon receipt of this information a strike of all Western Union telegraph employees in the Southeast was called by S. J. Konenkamp, international president of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America. The strike is effective immediately and is an extension of the present Atlanta Western Union strike.

Employees of the Western Union Telegraph company in Florida, Alabama, Georgia, South and North Carolina, West Virginia, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and New Orleans, La., go out under the new order.

Mr. Burleson's order turning back the wire properties read:

"The president having recommended the return of the wire systems and the control of the owning companies with certain legislation designed to stabilize their operation, and the senate committee having taken action looking to their immediate return, and the house committee in its hearings on the proposed legislation having indicated concurrence in the suggested immediate return with or without legislation so recommended, I feel it my duty to now return the actual control of operations to the companies.

"Some days ago I directed the necessary orders to be prepared to accomplish this and have today issued same. These orders do not affect questions of rates and finance with which the congress may determine to deal.

"The rates now in force and the financial relations between the government and the companies, and the order of October 2, 1918, prohibiting discrimination because of union affiliation will continue unless congress may decide to change them or the 'emergency' is terminated by the proclamation of peace.

"By the action now taken, however, the wire companies resume actual control of operations of their respective properties, and are free to formulate and put into effect their own policies unrestricted by government control, which is to continue in any case but a few weeks, and thus will be able to prepare themselves for a complete resumption of the management of their property.

"It will be necessary for each company to so keep its accounts during the continuance of government control that its books may be closed on the day government control ends in order that a full and accurate statement may be promptly made when it is called on for same."

85 DEAD; 48 HURT IN BLAST

Car Loaded With Powder, Attached to Train Carrying Miners in Pennsylvania, Blows Up.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., June 7.—Eighty-five miners were killed and forty-eight were injured on Thursday at the Baltimore No. 2 tunnel of the Delaware & Hudson Coal company, near here. The accident happened shortly before seven o'clock, while the men were being taken to their places of employment. A train of empty cars was provided to convey them down by an electric motor, with John McGorarty driving. Into these cars the 100 workmen were crowded and near the rear of the train was a car of black powder. When 200 feet in the tunnel the electric trolley wire fell. Sparks from it ignited the powder and the explosion that followed blew the men in all directions. More men died from flames and suffocation than from the explosion.

Explorers Believed Lost.

San Diego, Cal., June 9.—Los Angeles, and northern California scientists, members of an exploring party, are believed to have lost their lives in a big storm off the Lower California coast on May 15.

To Repeal Daylight Act.

Washington, June 9.—Favorable report on the bill to repeal the daylight saving law on the last Sunday in October was voted by the house interstate commerce committee. The vote of the committee was 10 to 8.

WILLIAM E. ALLEN



William E. Allen, formerly United States attorney at Dallas, Tex., has been named as temporary successor to A. Bruce Bielaski, former chief of the bureau of investigation, department of justice. The bureau is now devoting most of its attention to bolshevik, I. W. W. and other disturbers of domestic harmony. It may have charge also of enforcing the national prohibition law.

SUFFRAGE WINS OUT

SENATE PASSES HOUSE RESOLUTION BY VOTE OF 56 TO 25.

Proposed Constitutional Amendment Now Goes to States for Ratification.

Washington, June 6.—The house woman suffrage resolution was adopted on Wednesday by the senate and the proposed constitutional amendment now goes to the states for ratification. The vote was 56 for adoption and 25 against, or two more than two-thirds majority required.

The amendment was supported by 38 Republicans and 20 Democrats and opposed by 17 Democrats and 8 Republicans. It received two more votes than were needed to make the requisite two-thirds.

The suffrage amendment text follows: "Article 1, Section 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex.

"Sec. 2. Congress shall have power, by appropriate legislation, to enforce the provisions of this article."

It was exactly 5:25 p. m. when President Protem Cummins, from the chair, made the announcement to the expectant crowds in the galleries who had sat through a tense all-day debate waiting for the final vote to be taken. He said:

"This resolution has received the affirmative votes of more than two-thirds of the senate, a quorum being present, and is declared to have passed the senate in accordance with the Constitution of the United States."

PLAN TO CUT WAR BILL

War Department Estimates to Be Reduced by House Body—Bills Prohibit Immigration for 5 Years.

Washington, June 9.—War department estimates for the coming year will be reduced at least \$400,000,000 by the house military committee. Provision will be included in the bill for an army of 400,000, instead of 500,000, requested by the department. This reduction, members declared, would reduce the total estimate of \$1,233,000,000 by 20 per cent. Bills prohibiting immigration for five years and placing more rigid restrictions upon aliens entering this country were introduced in the senate. One measure by Senator King (Dem.) of Utah would exclude alien anarchists and others who believe in the overthrow of governments through force.

FIRST YANKS QUIT RUSSIA

Six Companies of 339th Infantry, Aggregating 1,600 Men, Constitute Force to Leave Archangel.

Archangel, Russia, June 6.—A contingent of American infantry which has been serving in northern Russia boarded a transport for the journey to the United States. These are the first American troops detailed to sail for home. The detachment will go to Brest.

Yanks Refuse to Aid Foe.

Paris, June 9.—American officers at Coblenz, it became known here, have refused to display posters advertising the Rhenish republic sent them by French officers. The Americans received the posters from the French.

\$32,400 for Ocean Flight.

Lisbon, June 9.—The Portuguese government issued a decree establishing a prize of 30 contos (at normal exchange approximately \$32,400) for the Portuguese or Brazilian aviator who flies from Portugal to Brazil.

FROM ALL SECTIONS OF THIS MAJESTIC STATE

Reports of Interesting Happenings Throughout Nebraska Condensed to a Few Lines for Quick Perusal.

Allen Vincent Grammer, who was sentenced to die in the electric chair at the state penitentiary at Lincoln, June 6 for his alleged part in the murder of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Lulu Vogt, near St. Paul, July 5, 1917, was granted a re-hearing by the supreme court of Nebraska as the result of a confession by Alton B. Cole, also under death sentence for the murder, in which he exonerated Grammer.

A Ford automobile met its Waterloo at Omaha the other day when a big 50-horse power airplane crashed into it while making a landing on the Ak-Sar-Ben flying field. The flier was demolished and the plane, after having a damaged wing repaired, continued on its way to Denver. No one was injured in the smashup.

The Nebraska State Association of Commercial clubs chose N. T. Gadd of Broken Bow for its future president for the coming year at the recent convention in the Custer county metropolis. The convention was one of the best in the history of the association. Grand Island is to be the scene of the next gathering.

It is said that petitions containing about 5,000 names have been received at the office of the promotion committee at Lincoln which has in charge the invoking of the referendum on the code bill in order to keep it from being given a trial. It will require 23,000 names to hold up the bill.

Attorneys for Morris Katelman, Omaha business man, convicted and sentenced to prison for a term of from one to seven years by the district court of Douglas county for alleged complicity in automobile stealing have asked the supreme court to review the case.

Catholics of Cedar Rapids dedicated the new St. Anthony's church with a ceremony attended by the greatest throng of people ever assembled in the city before at one time. The new edifice is one of the finest in the state.

Omaha is included in the route of a great continental airline to carry passengers and express, according to plans of Akron (O.) promoters, who hope to have big dirigibles in operation within a year.

People of Richardson county are determined to have a new court house at Falls City to replace the one destroyed by fire recently. A special election to vote bonds for the project will be held before long.

Lincoln proposes to do more paving this year than ever before in a single season. One proposed district in the north part of the city will make nearly two miles of newly paved streets.

But one bid was submitted for the Ames-Fremont concrete road of six miles, the estimated cost being \$197,000. The contract is to be let the last of June.

State Treasurer Crosby reports that the balance in the state's strong box at the end of May totalled \$2,008,510.81, as compared with \$1,866,049.94, the end of the previous month.

A change of first degree murder has been filed against Mrs. Minnie Owens of Hastings who is said to have confessed to the murder of her 3-month-old baby with a butcher knife.

A trans-continental flight from New York to the Pacific coast is to be made with only one stop, and that to be made at North Platte by an army airplane.

Rev. Samuel E. Taft, who has filled the pulpit of the M. E. church at Table Rock for nearly three years, has accepted a call to a Methodist church near Spokane, Wash.

Work is expected to begin soon on the laying of 16 blocks of paving at West Point. The total cost of the improvement will be approximately \$125,000.

A movement is on foot at Lincoln to annex four suburbs to the Capital. The first attempt to make a Greater Lincoln by legislative action, failed.

Railroads in many districts of eastern Nebraska suffered heavy damage to their roadbeds as the result of the heavy rains of the past week.

A contract has been closed whereby an army aviator will give an exhibition flight at Odell the last day of the chautauque, June 20.

Contracts have been let and work is well under way on the new municipal lighting plant which is being installed at Holdrege.

Work has begun on \$140,000 worth of paving and storm sewer construction at Geneva.

One of the largest land deals in the history of western Nebraska transpired last week when the George R. Richardson "X-L" ranch of 14,600 acres, part in Garden and part in Morrill counties, situated near Lisco, was sold for more than \$200,000.

The heavy rains and high winds of the past week caused thousands of dollars' damage to crops in eastern Nebraska. Wheat was leveled to the ground by the high winds in many sections. Corn on the bottom land in many cases was washed away.

The hay outlook in Nebraska, according to the state agricultural department, promises 9,000,000 tons, as against a December estimate of half that amount.

Lincoln citizens will now receive something like \$400,000 in rebate charges for gas as the result of the United States supreme courts decree dismissing the injunction proceedings brought by the Lincoln Gas and Electric Light company, restraining the enforcement of a city ordinance reducing the price of gas from \$1.20 to \$1, enacted twelve years ago.

Softening of the road-bed by heavy rains was the reason given for the wreck of the Burlington troop train near Ashland by railroad officials. It is considered very remarkable that none of the more than 200 soldiers who were asleep in the five coaches which rolled down the ten-foot embankment and into Salt Creek, were not killed. A good many of the soldiers, who were mostly from California, lost all their personal belongings.

The Fremont Commercial club has raised the \$75,000 it pledged toward the expense of moving Midland college to Fremont from Atchison, Kan., and the establishment of a Lutheran university near the city. This announcement was followed by a report from Atchison that the board of the college had voted to remove the institution to Fremont July 15.

The state engineering department at Lincoln collected \$71,802 for automobile licenses during the month of April, the first month the new state law has been in effect. Fifteen counties turned in more than \$1,000. Douglas county turned in \$9,826; Lancaster, \$3,362; Knox, \$2,465, and Custer, \$2,357.

Ninety-eight dental students, who confessed to reading the test questions before they began to take the examination under the state dental board at Lincoln recently, will be given another opportunity to take the examination some time next month, according to action taken by the board.

Nebraska's two United States senators cast their vote when the upper branch of congress finally sanctioned the Susan B. Anthony suffrage amendment to the federal constitution. Senator Norris voting for the measure and Hitchcock against it.

Frank Green of Lincoln was made first president of the Fraternal Order of Elks of Nebraska at the annual convention of the association at York. Other officers were chosen for the ensuing year and Alliance was selected for the 1920 meeting.

A well known Minnesota man is in Lincoln making preparations, it is said, to establish a nonpartisan league farm paper in the Capital City with a circulation among the 20,000 members he claims the league has throughout the state.

Governor McKelvie has intimated that he would not hesitate to call the legislature in extra session to act on the suffrage amendment if it becomes necessary to have Nebraska's vote to complete the ratification of the act.

Congressman Evans, of Nebraska, has introduced bills in congress authorizing the war department to donate captured German cannon to the cities of Fremont, Columbus and Norfolk in his district.

More than 2,000 women have registered in Douglas county and they are expected to take a prominent part in the special election to be held June 24 to vote \$3,000,000 in bonds for road building.

The Methodist church at Randolph net only "went over the top" in the recent missionary centenary drive but raised a fund sufficient to build a fine parsonage and equip the pastor with a motor car.

According to A. C. Andrews, government crop agent stationed at Lincoln, orange leaf rust, unusually prevalent in Nebraska, may reduce production of the state's winter wheat crop.

A contract has been let for the building of the Blair-Oakland highway. The project, which will cost about \$60,000, comprises 34.8 miles and passes through Tekamah and Craig.

The York Commercial club has decided to pave twenty-four miles of roads in the county, six miles in each direction of York, the city to guarantee \$1,000 per mile paved.

The state engineer's office at Lincoln let a contract for the construction of the thirty-seven miles of public highway between Lincoln and Beatrice to cost about \$95,000.

Theodore Frederick Barnes of McCook, a discharged soldier, has been appointed to the West Point Military academy by Congressman Andrews of the Fifth district.

Washington reports say that the government intends to have a big war exhibit at the Nebraska home-coming at Lincoln the week of June 15 to 20.

Two Nebraska congressmen, J. Jeffers and Reeves, are members of a committee appointed to investigate expenditures of the War department.

The Fremont canteen served 7,600 men during the month of May, according to the report of Miss Maud May, commandant.

The fourteenth annual convention of the Nebraska Fraternal Order of Eagles will be held at South Omaha June 16 and 17.

Rev. D. M. Orr of Wakefield has accepted a call from the Presbyterian church of Aurora and will assume the pastorate July 1. Rev. J. H. Salisbury having resigned to engage permanently in the new era movement of his church.

Congressman Jeffries of Nebraska has introduced a bill in congress to repeal the daylight saving law, in response to a number of requests from farming communities, where it is said the present schedule of time is a serious handicap to farm work.

More than 20,000 acres of Gage county land has been leased by the Holdrege-Red Cloud Oil company for the purpose of prospecting for oil. Actual drilling is expected to start before long.

Wahog is planning many improvements this year, the program beginning with the pavement of forty blocks in the business and residence portions of the city of which one-half will be on the famous Cornhusker highway and which is now being graded through Saunders county by the federal and state aid projects.